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SUBJECT: IAEA: EXTENDED PROCEDURES CONCERNING REQUESTS FOR

NUCLEAR EXPLOSION SERVICES

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1. MFA COUNSELOR G.F. KALINKIN CALLED IN EMBOFF TO GIVE REPLY TO OUR REQUEST THAT SOVIETS JOIN US AND BRITISH IN ASKING IAEA TO DELAY PNE CONSULTATIONS.

KALENKIN SAID THAT THE SOVIET GOVERNMENT CONSIDERS THE WORK OF THE IAEA IN THIS MATTER IMPORTANT AND BELIEVES THAT THE WORK OF THE GROUP "MUST PROCEED." HOWEVER, THE SOVIET UNION ALSO CONSIDERS THAT THE CTB TALKS IN GENEVA ARE IMPORTANT AND THEREFORE, IT IS PREPARED TO RECOMMEND TO THE IAEA THAT THE PNE MEETINGS CONFIDENTIAL

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IN VIENNA BE POSTPONED FROM THE DECEMBER DATE NOW SET UNTIL NEXT MARCH OR APRIL.

2. KALENKIN SAID THIS DECISION HAD BEEN TRANS-MITTED TO THE SOVIET MISSION TO THE IAEA AND THAT THE SOVIET MISSION IS PREPARED TO COORDINATE WITH THE U.S. MISSION IN THE SOVIET APPROACH TO THE IAEA. EMBOFF INFORMED KALENKIN THAT IN COORDINATION WITH SEVERAL OTHER MEMBER STATES AND IN THE ABSENCE OF A SOVIET REPLY TO OUR SUGGESTION, THE U.S. AHD ALREADY DECIDED TO APPROACH THE IAEA ALONG THE LINE OF OUR ORIGINAL SUGGESTION AND THAT THE INFORMAL APPROACH MAY ALREADY HAVE BEEN MADE. EMBOFF SAID SOVIET IAEA MISSION WOULD BE INFORMED IN ADVANCE OF AOUR APPROACH AND THAT OUR TWO MISSIONS, THEREFORE, MAY BE BEST ABLE TO DETERMINE IF ANY COORDINATION OF THE SOVIET DEMARCHE WITH THE OTHERS IS STILL POSSIBLE.

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